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Roger Goodell
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Dear Commissioner Goodell:

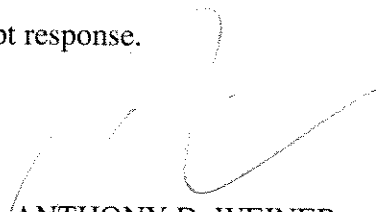
I write to ask that you change this year's schedule to respect the High Holy Day observance of many Jewish Jets fans.

In consecutive weeks, the New York Jets are scheduled to play at 1:00 p.m. on September 20th, Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, and at 4:15 p.m. on September 27th, just hours before Yom Kippur, the Jewish Day of Atonement.

The 4:15 p.m. game on the 27th runs into direct conflict with the religious requirement for players and fans to be home by sundown. The easy solution is to move the game to the 1:00 p.m. slot. The 1:00 p.m. game on Rosh Hashanah should be moved to a new day.

There's no reason why the largest Jewish community in the country should be punished for a scheduling snafu.

I look forward to your prompt response.



ANTHONY D. WEINER
Member of Congress